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TAGS: PROP, US

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE FORGERY OF US DOCUMENT

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1. NEHAD ASKALANI, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO MFA UNDER SECRETARY AHMED OSMAN, CONFIRMED TO POLCOUNS MAY 4 EXISTENCE OF ALLEGED US DOCUMENT PURPORTED TO BE SECRETARY VANCE'S REPORT TO PRESIDENT CARTER FOLLOWING HIS MIDDLE EAST VISIT. ASKALANI SAID HE HAD READ THE THREE-PAGE DOCUMENT THAT HAD BEEN OBTAINED BY EGYPTIAN EMBASSY IN ROME AND SENT TO MFA. ASKALANI SAID CONTENTS WERE UNCOMPLIMENTARY TO EGYPT AND HE STRONGLY SUSPECTED
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THAT DOCUMENT WAS INDEED A FORGERY. POLCOUNS URGED THAT EMBASSY BE GIVEN A COPY OF THE DOCUMENT FOR EXAMINATION SINCE IT APPEARS THERE IS CONCERTED DISINFORMATION CAMPAIGN BEING CONDUCTED BY ENEMIES OF US AND IT IS IMPORTANT TO SQUELCH SUCH FORGERIES BEFORE THEY ARE WIDELY CIRCULATED.

2. WHEN MEETING WITH FAHMY MAY 5, I ASKED HIM ABOUT THE ALLEGED REPORT AND IF WE MIGHT HAVE A COPY. HAVING JUST RETURNED FROM FOUR DAYS IN ALEXANDRIA, HE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT IT, BUT CALLED IN UNDERSEC OSMAN TO ASK HIM ABOUT THE REPORT. OSMAN CONFIRMED THAT MFA HAD RECEIVED SUCH A COPY OF SUCH A REPORT FROM THE EGYPTIAN EMBASSY IN ROME AND SHOWED FAHMY THE COPY. FAHMY GLANCED AT THE REPORT AND IMMEDIATELY OPINED IT IS OF ISRAELI ORIGIN. ASKED WHY HE HAD COME TO THIS CONCLUSION, FAHMY CLAIMED ITS STYLE AND CONTENTS ARE TOO SOPHISTICATED TO HAVE BEEN PREPARED BY THE SOVIETS. HE DISMISSED IT AS AN OBVIOUS FORGERY.

3. FAHMY GAVE ME A COPY OF THE UNDATED REPORT, WHICH PURPORTS TO SUMMARIZE THE "PRINCIPAL THOUGHTS" OF SECRETARY VANCE'S REPORT TO PRESIDENT CARTER AFTER THE SECRETARY'S ME TOUR. IT IS BROKEN DOWN BY COUNTRIES VISITED. SECTION ON EGYPT DEPICTS SADAT AS WEAK, UNREALISTIC, IN DESPERATE ECONOMIC STRAITS, HAVING NO PLACE TO RETURN AND THEREFORE HAVING OF NECESSITY TO WORK WITH U.S., AND AS WILLING TO SURRENDER "CONSIDERABLE PARTS OF HIS TERRITORY," INCLUDING SHARM AL-SHAYKH.

4. TEXT TELEGRAPHED SEPTEL. WE WILL POUCH COPY GIVEN US BY FAHMY TO DEPT IN NEXT CLASSIFIED POUCH WHICH LEAVES MAY 12.
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